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STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE, 1937-38.

The details of the State's Direct Oversea trade for the month of June having been received from the Commonwealth Statistician, the Government Statist has now completed the grand totals for the year 1937-38 and issues the following brief review.

EXPORTS. (Australian Currency Values) totalled £19,182,761 (£16,748,140) the highest since 1925-26 and showed an increase of £2,434,621 or 14½ per cent, averaging per inhabitant £32.8.11 (£28.9.5). The value of exports in British Currency was estimated at £15,346,000 (£13,399,000).

EXPORTS - QUANTITIES AND RECORDED EXPORT VALUES PER UNIT. The 19 items in the following table represent nearly 97% of the Grand Total Value of Exports for each of the years 1937-38 and 1936-37, and from the table may be seen the principal increases or decreases as regards both quantities and unit values.

Product	Unit	Quantities		Value per unit			
		1936-37	1937-38	1936-37		1937-38	
				s.	d.	s.	d.
Breadstuffs.							
Wheat	Bush.	16,770,810	28,635,769	5	2¾	4	5
Flour	ton	58,590	68,577	190	8	180	7
Barley	Bush.	2,312,332	(a) 4,377,475	3	8¾	3	5¼
Pastoral & Dairying.							
Lamb	lb.	(a) 13,071,257	12,450,737	0	6¼	0	7
Pork	lb.	(a) 1,986,519	991,863	0	5¾	0	7¼
Rabbits, &c.	pair	364,763	621,192	0	9¼	0	10¼
Wool - Greasy	lb.	56,859,175	54,351,783	1	2¾	1	0¾
Scoured	lb.	5,606,577	5,198,673	1	11¾	1	10¾
Sheepskins	No.	1,314,305	1,274,886	5	3¼	5	5¼
Cheese	lb.	7,289,309	(a) 10,109,467	0	5½	0	7
Eggs in shell	doz.	2,745,480	1,225,550	1	0¼	1	1½
Vineyards & Orchards.							
Wine	gall.	(a) 3,679,365	3,483,556	5	2¼	5	0½
Dried Fruits	lb.	26,709,448	(a) 41,212,543	0	4¾	0	4¾
Apples	case	284,020	645,695	6	0½	5	11¼
Mining.							
Lead	cwt.	1,796,399	2,088,745	23	2	19	4
Zinc concentrates	cwt.	2,061,432	2,905,905	4	3¼	3	10
Silver	oz.	4,648,884	8,542,730	2	3¼	2	2
Salt	cwt.	(a) 300,798	264,382	1	10¾	1	6¼
Iron ore	ton	267,068	159,563	10	9½	11	4¼

(a) Record quantities of these products were exported for the years shown.

RECORDED UNIT VALUES OF EXPORTS. The average prices computed from the recorded export values of the principal commodities reveal that the average prices for the following items were higher than in 1936-37:- Lamb, Sheepskins, Cheese, Eggs in shell, Pork, Rabbits, Dried Fruits and Iron ore. Lower prices were received for Wheat, Flour, Barley, Wine, Apples, Lead, Wool, Zinc concentrates, Silver and Salt.

IMPORTS (British Currency Values) totalled £7,472,124 (£5,438,429) the highest since 1929-30 and showed an increase of £2,033,695 or 37½ per cent. The value of imports in Australian Currency was approximately £9,340,000 (£6,798,000) and averaged £15.16.0 (£11.11.1) per inhabitant.

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS.

Particulars	1936-37	1937-38	Increase	Decrease
	£	£	£	£
BREADSTUFFS.				
Wheat	4,386,206	6,306,741	1,920,535	-
Barley	432,079	752,991	320,912	-
Flour	558,675	619,340	60,665	-
All other	29,653	45,711	16,058	-
Total	5,406,613	7,724,783	2,318,170	-
% to Grand Total	32	40		
PASTORAL & DAIRYING.				
Butter	395,448	470,363	74,915	-
Cheese	166,122	294,136	128,014	-
Eggs (shell & pulp)	159,126	77,590	-	81,536
Lamb	352,575	367,078	14,503	-
Pork	48,342	29,633	-	18,709
Rabbits &c.	13,915	27,061	13,146	-
Skins & Hides	427,708	406,620	-	21,088
Tallow	39,920	33,751	-	6,169
Wool-Greasy & Scoured	4,071,953	3,287,598	-	784,355
All Other	73,627	106,514	32,887	-
Total	5,748,736	5,100,344	-	648,392
% to Grand Total	34	26		
ORCHARDS & VINEYARDS.				
Fruits-Dried	513,844	824,533	310,689	-
Fresh & Preserved	163,578	316,498	152,920	-
Wines	955,033	879,477	-	75,556
All Other	4,663	4,206	-	457
Total	1,637,118	2,024,714	387,596	-
% to Grand Total	10	11		
MINING.				
Concentrates	737,060	748,578	11,518	-
Lead	2,080,903	2,022,542	-	58,361
Salt	28,457	20,410	-	8,047
Silver	533,839	927,096	393,257	-
Iron ore	144,106	90,642	-	53,464
All Other	135,669	220,190	84,521	-
Total	3,660,034	4,029,458	369,424	-
% to Grand Total	22	21		
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Gums	14,436	18,010	3,574	-
Sandalwood	25,274	12,952	-	12,322
All Other	255,929	272,500	16,571	-
Total	295,639	303,462	7,823	-
% to Grand Total	2	2		
GRAND TOTAL	16,748,140	19,182,761	2,434,621	-

BALANCE OF DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE. The favourable balance of direct over-sea trade is estimated at £7,874,000 (£7,961,000) in British Currency Values or at £9,843,000 (£9,950,000) in Australian Currency. In comparison with the previous year lower average prices were recorded for many of the staple products exported and a heavy increase in the value of imports was noted. These factors, however, were considerably offset by greater quantities of goods being shipped abroad, and the final result showed a slightly less favorable trade balance.

REVIEW OF DETAILS OF IMPORTS.

APPAREL AND ATTIRE £78,932 (£62,758); CORN AND FLOUR SACKS 1,079,825 (1,095,771) dozen, value £262,591 (£271,708); WOOL PACKS 29,819 (31,984) dozen, value £27,175 (£36,746).

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS N.E.I. £239,569 (£176,107); FERTILIZERS (ROCK PHOSPHATES) 144,393 (125,385) tons, value £131,000 (£129,015); FISH (ALL KINDS) £69,309 (£65,014); GLASS AND GLASSWARE £106,109 (£103,316).

METAL AND METAL MANUFACTURES £2,951,970 (£1,838,557). The principal items in this group were MACHINES AND MACHINERY £1,109,344 (£730,242); IRON AND STEEL £794,090 (£350,041); MOTOR CHASSIS No. 3,989 (2,743) value £341,811 (£237,252); and OTHER VEHICLES £256,105 (£212,066).

OILS IN BULK £921,261 (£649,754), covering KEROSENE 9,064,317 (5,354,090) gallons, £122,382 (£62,706); PETROLEUM SPIRIT 34,056,786 (26,770,676) gallons, £562,893 (£421,437), which is the greatest quantity ever imported; LUBRICATING 1,966,345 (1,219,286) gallons, £110,226 (£63,446).

COLOURS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES £16,841 (£14,385); PAPER £224,791 (£269,392) - this line includes printing paper 9,288 (19,411) tons; RUBBER MANUFACTURES £8,968 (£9,807); STATIONERY, BOOKS, &C. £132,059 (£109,701); TEA 2,336,908 (2,726,830) lbs. £113,900 (£121,758); TEXTILES-PIECEGOODS, &C. £735,368 (£612,363).

TIMBER £523,346 (£175,886) - dressed 4,061,850 (723,240) super feet, undressed 93,771,626 (40,030,104) super feet; WHISKY 20,056 (17,272) gallons, £31,801 (£18,654); BITUMEN 23,567 (15,887) tons, £35,578 (£21,039).

TOBACCO, CIGARS, &C. £3,595 (£4,051); EARTHENWARE, CHINA, &C. £40,016 (£33,759); FANCY GOODS £28,136 (£25,781); COCOA, COFFEE AND CHICORY £16,815 (£14,234); JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES £22,985 (£21,075).

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE NET REVENUE.

	1936-37	1937-38	Increase
	£	£	£
Customs - Primage	239,300	312,935	73,635
Other	1,660,928	2,003,975	343,047
Excise	973,799	834,027	(-)139,772
TOTAL	2,874,027	3,150,937	276,910

For the year 1937-38 the net revenue from Customs and Excise duties was £3,150,937 (£2,874,027) an increase of £276,910. Of this total sum 25 (36) per cent was collected from the lines Ale, Beer, Spirits, Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes, viz. £802,094 (£1,024,004). The total Customs duties amounted to £2,316,910 (£1,900,228) of which Primage accounted for £312,935 (£239,300), and Excise duties £834,027 (£973,799).

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19th July, 1938.

GOVERNMENT STATIST.

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA - OVERSEA EXPORTS (DIRECT).

Principal Articles EXPORTED JUNE and YEARS ENDED 30th JUNE 1937 and 1938.

Australian Currency Values.

Return No. 1.

ARTICLE EXPORTED		Unit of Quant.	JUNE		Years ended 30th June	
			1937	1938	1937	1938
Q U A N T I T I E S.						
Bullion - Silver	oz.	622,533	270,182	4,648,884	8,542,780	
Butter	lb.	65,968	262,256	7,291,690	8,848,241	
Cheese	lb.	210,936	825,950	7,289,309	10,109,467	
Concentrates	cwt.	272,013	315,067	2,393,740	3,174,761	
Copper	cwt.	-	-	34,139	37,471	
Eggs in shell	doz.	-	-	2,745,480	1,225,550	
Fruits, Dried-Currants	lb.	1,095,728	871,108	10,935,445	13,971,691	
Raisins	lb.	1,519,673	1,617,250	14,173,122	24,556,335	
Other	lb.	298,563	574,660	1,600,881	2,684,517	
Fresh-Apples	case	3,445	32,565	284,020	645,695	
Preserved	lb.	432,630	548,708	2,344,742	2,944,638	
Grain - Wheat	bush.	2,203,567	2,899,237	16,770,810	28,535,769	
Barley	bush.	75,784	222,687	2,312,332	4,377,475	
Flour	ton	3,048	7,948	58,590	68,577	
Iron ore	ton	5,705	20,343	267,068	159,563	
Lead (pig and in matte)	cwt.	104,077	150,192	1,796,399	2,088,745	
Meat (Lamb and Mutton)	carc.	-	8,428	420,832	377,333	
Sandalwood	cwt.	-	-	16,868	8,634	
Tallow	cwt.	978	121	33,314	28,938	
Wine	gall.	179,948	167,388	3,679,365	3,483,556	
Wool - Greasy	lb.	4,272,838	3,445,046	56,859,175	54,351,783	
Scoured	lb.	267,472	498,529	5,606,577	5,198,673	
V A L U E S.						
Bullion - Silver	£	73,898	26,321	533,839	927,096	
Butter	£	2,988	14,191	395,448	470,363	
Cheese	£	5,558	22,694	166,122	294,136	
Concentrates	£	119,101	40,906	737,060	748,578	
Copper	£	-	-	39,725	31,651	
Eggs - In shell	£	-	-	140,542	68,441	
Not in shell	£	-	2,310	18,584	9,149	
Fruits, Dried-Currants	£	21,536	20,688	202,435	263,661	
Raisins	£	30,990	29,052	257,083	467,709	
Other	£	9,693	19,986	54,326	93,163	
Fresh-Apples	£	1,096	10,429	85,858	193,187	
Other	£	6,741	38,784	32,393	78,598	
Preserved	£	6,629	8,590	45,327	44,713	
Grain - Wheat	£	608,267	536,663	4,386,206	6,306,741	
Barley	£	18,562	41,618	432,079	752,991	
Flour	£	31,924	59,842	558,675	619,340	
Iron ore	£	3,282	11,674	144,106	90,642	
Lead (pig and in matte)	£	119,391	126,255	2,080,903	2,022,542	
Meat (Lamb and Mutton)	£	-	7,375	352,953	367,545	
All Other	£	6,985	6,590	95,553	99,954	
Sandalwood	£	-	-	25,274	12,952	
Skins and Hides	£	23,701	24,450	427,708	406,620	
Tallow	£	1,195	135	39,920	33,751	
Wine	£	47,074	43,114	955,033	879,477	
Wool - Greasy	£	270,988	135,956	3,515,004	2,806,574	
Scoured	£	30,937	39,089	556,949	481,024	
All Other	£	41,666	41,169	469,035	612,163	
TOTAL VALUE EXPORTS	£	1,482,202	1,307,881	16,748,140	19,182,761	
INCREASE	£	-	(-)174,321	-	2,434,621	
Estimated in British Currency at approx.	£	1,186,000	1,046,000	13,399,000	15,346,000	

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GOVERNMENT STATIST.

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA - OVERSEA IMPORTS (DIRECT).

Principal Articles IMPORTED JUNE and YEARS ended 30th JUNE 1937 and 1938.

British Currency Values.

Return No. 2.

ARTICLE IMPORTED	JUNE		Years ended 30th June	
	1937	1938	1937	1938
	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	478	308	4,406	4,901
Apparel and Attire	4,831	3,111	62,758	78,932
Arms, Ammunition, Explosives	1,207	1,081	35,630	18,068
Bags, Sacks, etc.	13,104	6,362	315,346	300,561
Coal	-	-	4,192	-
Cocoa, Coffee, and Chicory	2,421	1,107	14,234	16,815
Colours, Paints, Varnishes	1,004	1,241	14,385	16,841
Cordage and Twines	51	166	1,001	1,622
Drugs, Chemicals, etc.n.e.i.	10,936	20,802	176,107	239,569
Earthenware, China, etc.	2,173	2,739	33,759	40,016
Fancy Goods	2,041	1,896	25,781	28,136
Fertilisers (phosphates)	16,879	17,075	129,015	131,000
Fibres	1,845	2,190	39,636	39,113
Fish (all kinds)	3,612	3,557	65,014	69,309
Glass & Glassware	8,968	1,240	103,316	106,109
Gums & Resins	691	1,246	14,883	12,697
Instruments - Musical	280	238	4,848	7,418
Scientific	3,729	2,995	35,453	47,442
Jewellery and Timepieces	1,662	1,922	21,075	22,985
Leather & Leather Manufactures	913	990	3,378	6,125
Matches and Vestas	-	172	891	1,645
Metal Manufactures (total)	(162,616)	(230,138)	(1,838,557)	(2,951,970)
Machines and Machinery	70,233	94,610	730,242	1,109,344
Iron and Steel	31,830	47,125	350,041	794,090
Cutlery and Platedware	3,914	3,696	35,798	39,056
Tools of Trade	5,717	8,692	68,892	99,570
Vehicles (total)	(32,169)	(40,318)	(449,318)	(597,916)
Motor Bodies and Parts	2,088	415	36,720	23,292
" Chassis " "	18,258	37,254	237,252	341,811
" Cycle, Sidecars, etc.	7,985	8,201	99,751	107,195
All Other	3,838	3,448	75,615	125,618
Other Metal Manufactures	18,753	26,697	204,266	311,994
Oils in Bulk - Petrol, etc.	17,442	55,948	421,437	562,893
Kerosene	1,012	10,448	62,706	122,382
Other	16,937	28,968	165,611	235,986
Paper	10,138	21,039	269,392	224,791
Rubber and Rubber Goods	971	377	9,807	8,968
Spirits - Whisky	763	12,426	13,654	31,801
All Other	346	170	1,570	2,360
Stationery, Books, etc.	6,922	3,109	109,701	132,059
Tea	10,847	12,426	121,753	113,900
Textiles, Piecegoods, etc.	47,310	48,737	612,363	733,717
Timber	1,928	26,615	175,886	523,346
Tobacco, Cigars, etc.	91	189	4,051	3,595
Wood Manufactures	1,173	1,338	26,741	24,524
Yarns	234	230	5,421	5,174
All Other	38,412	39,783	489,666	605,349
TOTAL VALUE IMPORTS	393,967	567,359	5,438,429	7,472,124
INCREASE	-	173,392	-	2,033,695
Estimated in Australian Currency at approximately	492,000	709,000	6,798,000	9,340,000

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GOVERNMENT STATIST.

STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Quantities of Principal Articles IMPORTED Oversea (direct) JUNE 1938
and years ended 30th June 1937 and 1938.

Return No. 3.

ARTICLE	Unit of Quant.	Years ended		
		June 1938	30th June 1937	1938
Ale and Beer	gall.	1,349	21,228	20,766
Bags & Sacks-Bran & Chaff	doz.	5,850	25,100	36,650
Corn & Flour	doz.	5,000	1,095,771	1,079,825
Woolpacks	doz.	4,143	31,984	29,819
Cable and Wire (covered)	cwt.	529	13,637	12,260
Cigarettes	lb.	94	5,447	3,701
Coal	ton	-	4,335	-
Coffee, raw and kiln dried	lb.	40,015	226,904	309,752
Coke	ton	-	12,508	11,232
Fibres - Flax and Hemp	cwt.	1,008	15,884	14,424
Kapok	lb.	21,401	261,742	268,248
Fish in tins	lb.	97,656	2,002,756	1,951,341
Fertilisers (Rock Phosphates)	cwt.	394,960	2,507,700	2,887,864
Glass - Plate	sq.ft.	-	1,162,112	993,804
Hats - Felt of Fur	doz.	43	611	522
Iron and Steel -				
Bar Rod Girders, etc.	cwt.	2,775	14,803	20,866
Hoop	cwt.	1,317	25,600	32,717
Plate and Sheet -				
Galvanised	cwt.	20,518	15,749	75,235
Plain	cwt.	11,936	194,280	486,999
Wire	cwt.	592	13,972	12,219
Matches	grs.bx	1,700	8,842	14,258
Motor Chassis	No.	394	2,743	3,989
Motor Cycles	No.	-	1,104	995
Nuts, edible	lb.	48,440	615,525	514,024
Oils, Kerosene	gall.	833,458	5,354,090	9,064,317
Lubricating (mineral)	gall.	112,016	1,219,286	1,966,345
Olive	gall.	2,041	13,474	20,309
Petroleum spirit	gall.	3,569,131	26,770,676	34,056,786
Turpentine	gall.	2,736	42,103	86,326
Paper, printing	ton	1,507	19,411	9,288
Pipes and Tubes (metal)	cwt.	5,314	32,152	42,670
Pitch, Tar, Bitumen, etc.	cwt.	16,398	317,915	471,346
Seeds, Linseed (covered)	cent.	-	39,247	45,074
Spirits - Whisky	pf.gal.	2,239	17,272	20,056
Sulphur - Brimstone	cwt.	31,014	209,913	344,181
Tea, raw and kiln dried	lb.	258,291	2,726,830	2,336,908
Timber - Dressed	sup.ft.	15,933	723,240	4,061,850
Undressed	sup.ft.	6,335,092	40,030,104	93,071,626
Tyres - Pneumatic - Covers	lb.	21,286	24,115	11,415
Tubes	lb.	97,648	3,161	6,139

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